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Re: Group Art Unit: 2823

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Applicant: FUNITOMO MATSUOKA

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND A METHOD

FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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SIR:

In response to the communication dated July 9, 2002, and further in response to the Restriction Requirement therein, Applicant herein elects the invention of Group I, Claims 1-13, drawn to a method, classified in Class 438, subclass 183, without traverse. In view of this election without traverse, an early and favorable examination of elected Claims 1-13 is respectfully requested.

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